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OLD BOARD ELECTED BY THE SAVINGS AND TRUST

Stockholders of Local Institution Hold Meeting Today

EFFECT ORGANIZATION

J. M. Walton Continued as President With D. M. McCloskey and R. C. Mountsier as Vice Presidents—Last Year Good One For Bank

The stockholders of the Charleroi Savings and Trust company held their annual meeting today, when they heard reports of the condition of the bank and elected directors for the ensuing year. The old board of directors was re-elected and after the stockholders meeing, organization was effected by the directors through the election of the same officers that served during last year.

The board re-elected consists of the following men: C. A. Chalfant, Nathan Greenberg, E. W. Hastings, D. M. McCloskey, John H. Moffitt, R. C. Mountsier, C. R. Peregrine, H. J. Repman, T. P. Sloan, James M. Walton and H. S. Piersol.

The officers elected by the board upon reorganization are: President, J. M. Walton; first vice president, D. M. McCloskey; second vice president, R. C. Mountsier; secretary-treasurer, E. W. Hastings; assistant secretary, S. W. Sharpnack; assistant treasurer, E. J. Charles.

The showing of the company was gratifying to the stockholders. During 1914 the regular six per cent dividend was paid.

The directors set aside $10,000 to the surplus fund, bringing this fund up to $40,000. Undivided profits are $29,000.

ROYAL ARCANUMS PRESENT PROGRAM

Evening of Speechmaking and Music Spent by Members of Charleroi Council in Celebrating Victory in Membership Contest.

To properly celebrate the victory of Charleroi council No. 1240 Royal Arcanum in a membership contest with White Rose council of Pittsburg a celebration was held by the local council Monday night at the P. H. C. lodge rooms. About 80 members were present and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed.

After the regular meeting lunch was served. Then Nathan Greenberg acted as toastmaster and several speeches were made and a musical program carried out. Among those who gave talks were Joseph Allsopp, John Fries, Fred Powell, Joseph Brandt, G. T. Barger, John B. Schafer, Fred Pieper, Joseph Davenport, Charles Feste, Otto Dorbritz and Fred Higgins. Music was furnished by Alfred Brown, Jay Bechtel and others.

CALL PUBLIC MEETING TO STUDY SCHOOL FINANCES

Citizens of North Charleroi to Hold Meeting Thursday Night in Second Building at That Place.

A meeting of the citizens of North Charleroi borough has been called for Thursday night of this week at 7:30 o'clock at which time it is proposed to make a study of the school finances of North Charleroi.

A first meeting was held last week, during which time explanation was made of financial maters, and the proposed consolidation of Charleroi and North Charleroi was gone into to some extent. This meeting will be for a similar purpose.

MALTAS TO HOLD AN OPEN MEETING

Addresses Will Be Made By Local Ministers and a Musical Program Will Be Rendered In Their Hall Tonight.

Valley Echo Commandery No. 370 Ancient and Illustrious order Knights of Malta will hold an open meeting in their hall this evening. In addition to several addresses a musical program will be rendered and refreshments will be served. Fred Pieper will act as toastmaster.

Rev. C. P. Bastian, pastor of Christ Lutheran church in Charleroi, will be the principal speaker of the evening. Short talks will be made by Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor of the Christian church and by Rev. W. G. Carl, pastor of the Baptist church.

Vocal solos will be rendered by Warren Kinder, Miss Ethel Barth, Miss Mary Glunt and Earl Nickolson. Misses May and Ethel Barth and Misses May and Margaret Mitchel will render instrumental music.

LITERARY PROGRAMS AT BENTLEYVILLE

High School Societies Prepare for Rendition on Friday Afternoon—Cadmean and Premier Societies Alert in Arranging For Meetings.

The Cadmean and Premier literary societies of the Bentleyville high school have prepared the folowing programs to be rendered publicly Friday afternoon, January 15:

Cadmean society—Dream, S. M. House; essay, Walter Wilson; debate (Subject to be selected by the debators (affirmative—Alma Smith and Keith Wier, negative—William Watson and Mabel Sprowls; periodical, William Furnier; extemporenous class, Edgar Hall; latest war news, M. H. Newlon and jokes, John Farynack.

Premier society, quotations by the society; prophecy, Anna Goldman; essay, Garnet Greenlee; reading, Helen Piersol; debate (subject to be chosen by the debators) affirmative—Eunice Greenlee and Harold Fonner, negative—Fremont Watkins and Elsie McCarty; current events, Celia Malakoff; jokes, Judson McIlvane; periodical, Randolph Fonner; dream, Thomas Walker.

SAMUEL UMBEL DIES FOLLOWING OPERATION

Well Known Lincoln Avenue Resident and Veteran of the Civil War Succumbs at Pittsburg Hospital Early Today

Following an operation performed last Wednesday Samuel Umbel, aged 75 years, a well known Lincoln avenue resident, and a veteran of the Civil war died this morning at 3 o'clock at the West Penn hospital in Pittsburg.

While the operation performed on Mr. Umbel was serious it was not considered of such nature as to produce death, and reports of his condition up until Monday were that he was getting along splendidly. The last report received here by his family was that his condition was good. Then came the news this morning of his death.

Mr. Umbel is survived by his widow, one daughter, Miss Anna Umbel, and two sons, John Umbel of Charleroi and Charles Umbel of Cleveland Ohio.

For the last 15 years Mr. Umbel has been a resident of Charleroi, coming here from Uniontown. He was a carpenter by trade and has been engaged in this work for a few years.

At the beginning of the Civil war, Mr. Umbel enlisted and fought through the entire struggle as a member of a company recruited in Fayette county.

The body was brought home from Pittsburg this afternoon and arrangements will be made later for the funeral.

MILLS TO RESUME UP THE ALLEGHENY

Two Thousand Men to be Given Employment at Tarentum Plants This Week—Plate Glass and Steel Industries to be Kept Busy

This week will see 2,000 or more men who have been idle resume work in Tarentum and vicinity through resumption of the Allegheny Plate Glass company in Glassmere, and the Allegheny and West Penn Steel companies Monday. The Allegheny Plate Glass company's plant had been shut down three months. The West Penn Steel company had been operating half time since Christmas.

The bar mill at the Allegheny Steel company plant resumed in full and it is stated at the mill that tomorrow the No. 1 and No. 2 sheet mill departments will be in operation in full. The resumption at the Allegheny Steel plant alone will affect 1,000 men. Between 400 and 500 men are employed at the Allegheny Plate Glass Works. There was a great rush of workmen seeking employment. Old employes were given first chance and other men were accepted as they were needed.

METHODS SCHOOL ORGANIZED HERE

Meetings Are to be Divided Between Charleroi and Monessen—Many Monongahela Valley Towns Are Represented.

At a meeting held in the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon an organization preparatory for a school of methods which will take in the towns of Charleroi, Monessen, North Charleroi, Speers, Belle Vernon, Fayette City and Allenport, was perfected. The following officers were chosen: President, Rev. J. B. Swain of Monessen; secretary, Miss Leila Orange of Charleroi and treasurer, Miss Emily Arrison of Charleroi.

Ten meetings will be held in the school of methods. Five meetings will be held in Charleroi and five in Monessen. A committee of three was appointed by the president to arrange for a place for the meetings to be held. The committee is as follows: W. S. James, Charleroi; J. C. F. Motz and Mr. Guist of Monessen. The Monessen meetings will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church in Monessen.

The meeting was well attended Sunday afternoon there being about 70 present. Persons from Belle Vernon, Speers, Fayette City, Allenport and Monessen attended. The executive committee, which will select instructors for the school of methods will be chosen by the president.

May Irwin in Mrs. Black Is Blue (Paramount) Thursday Coyle Theatre. 161-2

PHILLIPS SIGNS MEN FOR HIS TEAM

Charleroi Man Returns from Western Trip and Announces Training Camp for Ensuing Year Together With Names of New Players.

Bill Phillips returned Monday night from Indianapolis, Ind., where he signed players for his baseball team and looked after business pertaining to it. He makes the announcement that his club will train this year in Valdosta, Ga., starting south about March 4.

Phillips has a tip that he can get Stuffy McInnis, the Philadelphia Athletics first baseman, and is out for him or another as good to fill Charlie Carr's shoes. John Strands, third baseman of the Worchester, Mass., league team has been signed. Gilbert Whitehouse has also been signed from the New England league.

Emil Huhn, of Indianapolis, has been signed and may be placed at first, if McInnis is not available. He is really a catcher who played last year with Seattle. McKeeknie, Laporte and Esmond have been lined up, as have Campbell and Kauff. Rousch has been holding out but is expected to get in the fold shortly.

BIRTHS EXCEED DEATHS IN CHARLEROI DISTRICT

District Registrar Makes Report For the Year 1914

TOTAL BIRTHS ARE 401

Charleroi Borough Has Majority of Both Births and Deaths, With Fallowfield Township Second—Twilight Falls Away Behind in its Figures.

For the year 1914 there were more than three births for each death in the Charleroi district, according to the report of Dr. Edwin McKay, district registrar, which was given out this morning. During the year there were 401 births and 127 deaths in the district, which comprises Charleroi, Fallowfield township and Twilight boroughs.

In Charleroi borough there were 253 births and 103 deaths while in Fallowfield township there were 44 births and 21 deaths. In Twilight borough the decrease was greater than the increase, there being only 2 births and 3 deaths.

The figures of Charleroi borough for the year by months was as follows:

Births—January, 41; February, 25; March, 29; April, 14; May, 19; June, 30; July, 37; August, 38; September, 21; October, 30; November, 32; December, 39; total, 355.

Deaths—January, 8; February, 9; March, 9; April, 5; May, 8; June, 6; July, 11; August, 11; September, 7; October 14; November 7; December, 8; total, 103.

In Fallowfield township the total number of births was 44, and the total number of deaths was 21.

In Twilight borough there was one birth in each of two months, July and December and there was one death in each of three months, March, April and July.

The number of births for the year is a little above the average, while the death rate is slightly below the average. At the present rate of increase and with the number of out of town pupils that are attending the Charleroi schools it is shown that it will be but a short time until enlarged school quarters will be needed.

HUNDREDS OF MEN SEEK EMPLOYMENT IN MINES

Alice and Eclipse Coal Mines Will Be Put in Full Operation Tomorrow—Many Turned Away.

Hundreds of men applied for work Monday at the Alice and Eclipse coal mines, which are located near Rostock. Hundreds were turned away, while many of them were given work and many more will be put to work tomorrow, when it is expected these mines will be in full operation.

When both mines are running in full capacity they will employ about 700 men. Considerable work had to be done before the mines could be operated entirely. The majority of these miners have been out of work since last spring and they are welcoming a chance to return.

MUCH POULTRY IS DISPLAYED

Between 700 and 800 Birds Now Being Shown at Bentleyville—All Kinds Of Fowl Entered and Bank Hall is Crowded With Coops.

Monday the first day of the poultry show at Bentleyville was taken up greatly by the entries of prize birds. A few difficulties were met with that made the preparation for the display a little later than predicted. Until late Monday night men from distances came and entered birds. Bantams, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, freakish plumed birds, and almost any conceivable variety of fowls are entered. Between 700 and 800 entries have been made. The bank hall is crowded densely with the many cages. William J. Crawford of Bentleyville is in charge of the feeding of the flocks. He declares that he has his hands full. Tuesday evening really marks the true beginning of the show.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT LOCAL M. E. CHURCH

The revival services at the Methodist church are attracting considerable interest. The pastor, Dr. Meade is preaching each evening, and much enthusiasm prevails. The attendance is good, the audiences on Sabbath being very large. The music is quite a feature. A large choir under the direction of A. H. Bosson leads in many of the good old-time melodies.

Last evening the subject was "Four Characteristics of the Christians Pathway." The Christians life was shown to be Pleasant, Peaceful Profitable and Perfectly secure. Tonight the theme is "Three Steps to Heaven."

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Musical Auxilliary Meets.

The first meeting of the 1915 season was held by the Musical Auxiliary of the Athene club with Miss Ethel Hawthorne, as hostess, Monday evening. A Beethoven program was rendered the following taking part: Mrs. A. G. Lewis, Miss Della Jacobs, Miss Ethel Berry, Miss Gertrude Conkling, Miss May Barth and Miss Bethel Bowman.

SUMMONS COMES FOR LITTLE MARY ENOS

Eighteen-Months Old Daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. Clive Enos Dies Monday Following Illness of Three Days—Parents in North Carolina

Little Mary Enos, the 18-months old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. Clive Enos died Monday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock at the home of her parents on Crest avenue following a three-day illness. Intestinal trouble was the cause of death.

Dr. and Mrs. Enos, with their surviving son, are now at Ashville, N. C., where they went a week ago. They will not return home for the funeral, although they have been notified.

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Enos home by Rev. John Lyons, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal church. Interment was in the Monongahela cemetery.

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WILL DO WELL BY THE PEOPLE

They are all on their good behavior at the present time, and we will not be surprised if the present session of the legislature finds a majority of the members and the new governor working fairly well together and if between them they do fairly well by the people—Philadelphia Record, Democratic.

The Record evidently is not willing to accept with a few of its contemporaries the rumors that there is discord or disention between the new governor and the leaders of the Republican party in Pennsylvania.

When the legislature organized last week Dr. Brumbaugh, governor-elect, was given satisfactory evidence that he would have behind him a united and forceful Republican majority with the single purpose of helping in every way to redeem his campaign pledges and giving to the people the legislation calculated to advance the best interests of the state and serve the highest interests of all the people.

The recent analysis of the returns from the November election the country over shows that the Republican party in this state and the nation is by long odds the majority party. This condition has worked wonderful encouragement to the Pennsylvania Republicans and their determination to serve the people better than ever, if that be possible, is now apparent on every hand.

Every effort will be made to avoid friction during the entire session of the legislature. The people are looking to the Republicans hopefully and the Republicans of this state seem determined that they shall not disappoint the people.

ABOUT FORTO.

If the best stories told of the Frank Forto affair are correct, he is indeed a man to be pitied, and protected. The way it looks now, Forto is facing death from bullet wounds sustained a week ago, and while naturally fearing the Grim Reaper's approach, is also afraid to live.

Forto's misfortunes began when he essayed the role of amateur detective in a lone-handed search for August Buono, the accused Charleroi murderer. Somebody pulled a gun on him and he was taken to the hospital with a bullet hole in one lung. Then he made a grave accusation, naming the man alleged to have done the shooting. Upon facing the accused one and listening to a brief sharp command in Italian he denied practically everything he had before related.

No one knows what the command was Forto received, but it served the purpose evidently. The natural supposition of course is that it was a threat of death if Forto told the truth. If that theory is correct, Forto is like a man besieged on all sides and pretty sure of final extermination any way you take it. Surely he is a man to be pitied.

TIRED OF IT

Among the numerous publications finding fault with the national administration because of exceedingly heavy expenditures, which virtually makes the present war tax necessary, is the Saturday Evening Post, which up to the present time has been a pretty consistent supporters of President Wilson. Editorially in last week's issue the Post says:

If Congress had held to the idea of trying to redeem its solemn pledge of economy, the regular revenues of the government would have been sufficient to meet this year's expenditure.

As to whether the conspicuous legislation enacted by this Congress will be beneficial or harmful there is, of can be no controversy; but there can be no controversy about the fact that you must bear additional taxation. The war brings an extraordinary situation, with special need to husband our resources and with special demands on our charity.

Spending public revenues prodigally, so that a hundred million dollars must be extracted from the public to keep the treasury in trim, was the poorest possible preparation for that situation.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Editor, Mail: Are we running short of news? Because, Rector, that must be what you call a killing editorial.

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The following ad appeared in a Gretna, La., newspaper: "Notice—I, the undersigned, M. E. Finogan, Gretna, La., wants the public to know that the marriage between herself and Jake Walters is annulled, on account of his conduct on the ferry boat Baldwin, by his kissing a woman named Mrs. Lena Bludsucker-Hecker-Able. Mrs. M. E. Finogan."

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We have just received a consignment of Congressional Records, the same being spoiled by reason of printed matter on both sides of each sheet, making them unavailable for copy paper.

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Work and the world works with you; loaf and the world helps you do that too.

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One of the things we object to in the new style of mackinaw coat is the penitentiary design.

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Rust can be removed from steel by rubbing it with sweet oil for a day, but counting the day's wages, probably it would be cheaper to buy new steel.

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Speak up, how many know there is a dance called the Paraquaya, and if so what it is like.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

After a trip to an eastern point, according to a story being told by friends a young man of noted German tendencies became about as neutral as any individual could be in war affairs. His friends at first could not dope it out, but the one who had been with him finally explained.

"What is the reason?" he out the question himself. "Well it is simply this. F——— went o New York and met an English girl. She was so attractive that he imemdiately became neutral."

"I don't object to that young man coming occasionally and will not even register much complaint against him staying ordinarily late, which he usually does, but please send him away just a little sooner," requested a certain father of town recently of his attractive daughter.

"But father—"

"No buts, now, but kindly do as I say."

"But father, what—"

"I'll tell you what," growled he of authority. "On several nights when he has come I have arisen to find my morning paper gone. Of course I could get along without it occasionally. But then mother tells me that of late mornings she has found the milk bottle kicked from the porch and I won't stand for that."

FIND A USE FOR SWEEPINGS

Street Refuse Makes Good Fertilizer If It Is Quite Free From Oil.

The United States department of agriculture has been conducting elaborate experiments to ascertain the value of street sweepings as a fertilizer. J. J. Skinner and J. H. Beattie of the bureau of soils tried samples collected in various ways upon wheat, corn and red tops and found that hand sweepings were best, but not nearly so good as well-rotted stable manure; that machine sweepings were about one-third as good as hand and that decomposed sweepings were almost useless.

The reason for this was that the sweepings contained much lubricating oil. The experimenters made tests of sweepings from which the oil had been extracted and found that both hand and machine sweepings produced as good results as stable manure, while the decomposed sweepings were not far behind.

The department issues a bulletin warning farmers and gardeners that sweepings from which the oil has not been extracted will eventually impair the productiveness of soil, unless through drainage the oily material is drained off or changed.

HEREDITY SEEN IN THE HAIR

Some Views on the Inheritance of the Color of the Covering of the Dome.

"When examined under the microscope human hair discloses two kinds of pigment, and only two, a reddish yellow and a sepia brown. These two colors are independent factors in heredity and may occur separately or in combination," writes Gertrude C. Davenport in the Independent. "The yellow seems to be a diffuse pigment, but the brown occurs in granules or specks. The size and number of the granules, as well as the intensity of the pigment, vary in differently colored hair. The intensity of the yellow pigment also varies so as to form different shades of red, while a combination of red with brown gives some of the more sober shades of red hair. When the brown pigment is intense it forms black, and if red be present in such cases it is completely covered.

"Red hair is best seen when brown is absent, and when two bright, red-haired people marry all their children will have red hair, for there will be no brown pigment to cover it over. On the other hand, when a black or very dark brown haired person of unmixed origin marries another with red hair, none of the children will have red hair but if the dark haired parent in such a union has red hair in his ancestry, then half of the children will have red hair. When there is red hair in the immediate ancestry of both parents, although both may have dark hair, then a few of the children—three-sixteenths, in the long run—will have red hair."

"In the blond-to-black series we find that the intensity of the hair color in the offspring does not exceed that of the darker parent. Thus two blond-haired parents have only blond-haired children. The parents cannot transmit what they themselves lack. When one parent has flaxen hair and the other light brown, then 50 per cent of the children will have hair of a light brown shade. When one parent has dark brown or black hair and the other light brown, then about half of the children will have dark and half light brown hair—that is to say, half in population of some size. In a family of only two children it would be possible to have one dark and one light haired child, but this would be a very rare chance indeed. The collection and interpretation of statistics of hair color are complicated by the fact that the hair of the young is frequently much lighter than in adult life, while the hair of the adult, when mixed with gray, is not infrequently reported as of a lighter shade than it really possesses."

Our Rude Language.

There are great differences between the richness and poorness of words in the different countries. Japan is certainly richer in its words than England. Just for example, we have more than nine words for the word "I." The emperor alone calls himself "Chin," and all his subjects call themselves "Watakushi," "Washi," "Ore," "Boku," "Sessha," "Soregashi," "Ware," "Yo," etcetera, according to the circumstances. The second or third person changes as much as the first person, "I," and all the verbs accordingly. When I started to learn the English, first time, I asked my American teacher, "What shall I call myself before the emperor?" He said "I."

"Then what shall I say before my parents?"

"I."

"What shall I say before my men friends? And before my women friends?"

"I."

"I was quite astonished and said: "How simple, but how rude is the English language!"—Yoshio Markino in the Atlantic Magazine.

Red Haired Spinsters Rare.

Though red hair of the Titian tint remains at least till middle age, a correspondent points out that until the other day he had never seen or heard of a red-haired old maid.

"I know that real red hair in girls and women is extremely rare nowadays, and anthropological experts say that the red-haired race is fast disappearing. A friend to whom I mentioned my one and only meeting with a red-haired spinster there was not an old maid to be found whose head was crowned with the real red hair."

A member of the Royal Anthropological Institute said: "I am inclined to think that few if any girls with the Titian-tinted hair fail to get married. Men like them and they are quickly married. Nowadays red hair is rare chiefly because only when both parents have red hair does the hair of the child take on the same color. And a man and woman with red hair rarely marry."—London Mail.

Montana Governor's New Home.

Governor McDonell's new house is about the homeliest looking home in town. There is about the place a sort of restfulness, an invitation to come in and make yourself at home and stay awhile. It is a big, rambling, old fashioned house, with tall pillars and flat roof, lots of windows and a cheerful front entrance, all suggestive of the grand old southern mansion, the hospitable home.

After all, it is not a cheap looking house for it is made of brick and other masonry, and finished substantially, artistically, and at the same time without pretence of gaudiness or hint at the gingerbread effect—it is a homelike place, just the kind of a house in which any man would feel perfectly at ease.—Anaconda Standard.

Library Without Light.

The great national library of France, the Bibliotheque Nationale, in Paris, has a splendid site, 44 miles of shelves and 3,000,000 volumes to fill them, but in the winter that vast store of learning and intellectual delight is nearly useless, because the library has no artificial light, and its books are issued to readers and students only in the middle of the short days.

National and State Banks.

National banks may loan money on approved security, but they are prohibited from loaning money upon real estate or upon the security of their own stock, and from making accommodation loans to any person, company, corporation or firm to an amount exceeding one-tenth part of their capital. State banks and private banks may loan money upon real estate.

Removing Stains.

Paint stains are easily removed when they are fresh, but they are not generally discovered until they are dried. To remove wet paint from white fabric wash it with soap and water and then boil it with kerosene in the water. The rub the stain between the hands with soap and hot water. By this time the stain should be gone. Rinse in several waters.

Mixed Metaphor.

One day while caressing her little three-year-old daughter, a mother called her "My little comfort." A few evenings later, when callers were present, she gathered the little one up in her arms, but without further attention. Presently, feeling neglected, she looked up into her mother's face and asked: "Mamma, is I your little blanket?"

Appropriate Decoration.

"Why do politicians wear high hats and frock coats?" asked the person who makes trivial inquiries. "Well," replied Senator Sorghum, "the high hat and the frock coat constitute the appropriate attire for occasions both of mourning and congratulation. And every election makes a politician feel as if he were going to a funeral or a wedding."

First American Flag.

The first American flag of the present stars and stripes pattern was hoisted over Ft. Schuyler, then a military post on the site of the present village of Rome, Oneida county, New York. At that time the flag had only thirteen stars, but the stripes were the same in number as now, thirteen.

Inference Obvious.

Reggie (over on a visit)—"Do you know, old chap, I think that vulgah fellow over there insulted me?" American Friend—"You think so? What did he say?" Reggie—"Why, he suggested in a very rude manner that when I die I bequeath my head to a collar-button factory."

Why He Quit Working.

Woman (lecturing tramp)—"You should work, if only to set a good example to others." Tramp—"I did that once, mum, an' the poor feller wot took the example worked so hard he died er nervous prostration."

Wood Pulp Sponges.

Treated with chloride of zinc, wood pulp forms a viscous mass. When salt is added and the mixture has been rinsed with alcohol and compressed a fair imitation of a sponge results—Harper's Weekly

Slight Formality.

"Do you think the office ought to seek the man?" "Yes," replied the willing patriot; "although of course it may be necessary for the man to leave his address with the head of a department."

Her Diploma.

"She says she went abroad to finish her education. I wonder if she learned much." "She told me she had six new ways to fix her hair."—Judge.

Willie's Advice.

"You'd better eat slow," said Willie to the clergyman who was dining with the family. "Mamma never gives more'n one piece of pie."

Real Meaning of Phrase.

When a person says "I am terribly misunderstood" it generally means that somebody has become thoroughly wise to him.

Play With Spirit.

Figg—Shakespeare is immortal. I consider "Hamlet" a play for all time. Fogg—That's so; it will never give up the ghost.

The Family Horse.

A family horse never seems to be going anywhere in particular until it is going home.—Maryville Tribune.

Daily Thought.

After all, our worst misfortunes never happen, and most miseries lie in the anticipation.—Balzac.

Can Generally Find Company.

The man who can make others laugh is seldom permitted to go lonesome.

A GOOD BOOK

People are constantly watching the market for a good book—a new novel—and how many have the book that builds for them a substantial foundation for future business or a competency for old age - a bank book?

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To Freshen Air.

To freshen the air of a sickroom, ground coffee should be sprinkled on a shovel or coal scoop previously heated in the fire. A match should then be held to a small piece of camphor-gum, and when this is alight it should be placed in the center of the shovel. The burning coffee gives an aromatic aroma to the room, which is very refreshing.

Ancient Use of Cork.

Cork was known to the Greeks and Romans, and was put to almost as many uses as at present, although there is no mention in Rome of linoleum, notwithstanding its Roman sound. Glass bottles, with cork stoppers, for wine and beer, did not come into use until the middle of the fourteenth century.

The Real Problem.

"Well, dear," said the young husband to his bride, "I'll make out the deposit slip in your name, and all you have to do is to take it to the bank." "Yes," she responded, "but suppose I want to draw out some money some day, how will they know which is my money?"—Harper's Bazar.

Exterminated Like the Buffalo.

Some idea of the vast numbers of animals that Africa used to support can be gained from a passage in W. Scully's reminiscences. It was Mr. Scully's good fortune in 1892 to witness the last great trek of springbucks from east to west of the Bushmanland desert—a trek on a scale such as no man will ever see again. Fencing, the increase of population and the distribution of arms have almost exterminated the once innumerable host. He says: "I have stood on an eminence some twenty feet high, far out on the plains, and seen the absolutely level surface, as wide as the eye could reach, covered with resting springbucks, while from over the eastern horizon the rising columns of dust told of fresh hosts advancing.

An Unfortunate Mix-Up.

Once upon a time a gentleman entered a florist's shop, ordering two bunches of flowers. One was to go to a lady friend and the other was to go to the home of a friend who had just died. On the first he wrote: "To help you bear the heat," the weather being very warm; on the second he inscribed "Sympathy." When the flowers were delivered a mistake was made. The lady received the bunch marked "Sympathy," and immediately answered, asking why she needed his sympathy. He never heard from the other box.

Didn't See the Other One.

In a suburban electorate the candidate was being raucously heckled and, though an amiable man as a rule, he was provoked to the suggestion that the conduct of one man in the meeting at least was asinine. "If I am an ass," roared the interjector, "there's two of us here. Ha! Ha!" "I've noticed you," said the candidate quietly. "I've heard you bray—but I don't see your friend."

Decoy Duck.

After a girl has tried every other way to get a proposal and failed she takes to standing at the side door with her sleeves rolled up and an apron on.—Exchange.

Must Have Wealth.

"Is he rich?" "I didn't think so, but he must be." "Why?" "I heard him say the other night that he lets his wife have all the money she wants."

Fatal Inactivity.

"There goes a business man who was ruined by advertising." "Impossible! How could that happen?" "He let his competitors do it all."

Alcohol for Ink Stains.

Ink stains from a fountain pen on a light woolen vest can be removed by applying alcohol and rubbing between the hands as though washing it. Apply alcohol about a dozen times and the spot will be gone.

Quite a Stunt.

Before marriage a woman has to pretend she doesn't take a man seriously when she does, and after marriage she has to pretend she does when she doesn't.—The Tattler.

Modern Isaiahs.

There are few twentieth century Isaiahs. Nowadays, when the Lord asks, "Whom shall I send?" men don't say, "Here am I, send me"—they send their wives.—Woltman.

WAR NOTES

London, Jan. 12.—It is believed that Rumania and Italy will not long delay in entering the war. Rumania has a well trained army of not less than 400,000 men. The present armies in the east and west remain practically deadlocked. Soissons is being bombarded and it seems likely to suffer the fate of Rheims.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—It is reported that a great fire has broken out at the former Belgian capital.

London, Jan. 12.—A Belgian banker Monday declared that the civil army they had to feed was greater than the British and French armies combined. Yet they have scraped through on about $6,250 worth of food a month. It is stated that there are still 7,000,000 persons in Belgium who are virtually dependent for food on the American relief commission.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—It is reported that the French dreadnought Courbet was hit by the Austrian submarine No. 12. The Courbet was rammed by her sister ship, the Jean Bart, which was attempting to tow her, and sank. The Jean Bart docked at Malta. The French pretended that only the Jean Bart was slightly damaged, concealing the loss of the Courbet. It is stated that the Austrian submarine No. 12 attacked a French squadron of 16 ships. The submarine torpedoed two ships, but was unable to ascertain what damage was done.

Panama, Jan 12.—It is reported that the German cruiser Karlsruhe sunk a British cruiser on the coast between Columbia and Venezeuhi and that another British battleship sunk the Karlsruhe.

Paris, Jan. 12.—Two German aeroplanes heading for Paris were sighted Sunday by French air patrol who now cruise over a region considerably to the north of Paris. It is believed that they would have attacked Paris and London had it not been for the French machines. Sunday 50 bombs were dropped on Dunkirk. Two of the raiders were brought down. Six persons were killed in Dunkrirk and in the suburb of Malo. It is reported that several were killed at St. Pal and Adinkerke.

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QUEER OLD PIECE OF ROCK

Part of It Was Made in the Devonian Period by Animals Living in Shells.

A curious piece of rock resembling somewhat a dog's head, is in the possession of W. C. Strickler. "It was born, so I am told," says Mr. Strickler, "where Pennsylvania now is, millions of years ago. It is composed of two kinds of rock. The under rock and the horns, that look like eyes, is of igneous origin, had its birth in fire, and the upper rock, which belongs to the Devonian period, was deposited on the sea floor by little animals that live in shells. One of these shells can be seen under the right eye and is called by geologists "Atrypa Reticularus," reticulated like a lady's veil. This upper rock is full of these shells. The parent rock, to which this piece belongs, is supposed to have come to the surface in Pennsylvania when the Allegheny mountains were elevated and during the glacial period this piece was broken off, carried and dropped where it was found."

New Castle Mills to Start.

Nineteen of the 20 hot mills of the New Castle tin plant started Sunday morning. Every department of the plant resumed in full and 500 men returned to work.

If Your Hair is Falling Out

we know of no better remedy than

Rexall "93" Hair Tonic

A preparation which we gladly recommend to you. 50c. a bottle.

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BERRYMAN'S JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

CLEARANCE SALE PRICES ON SUITS, COATS, FURS, SKIRTS & DRESSES

A great Slaughter on prices of Suits, coats, Dresses Etc. Wearables of best quality at prices as low and less than we paid. Three lots of Suits, large numbers of dresses, Coats, Skirts and Furs. All go at awful cuts. Trimmed hats go at One-Half Price. Furs 25 per cent off.

Special Suit Prices

$9.50 Buys our newest Winter Suits that sold for $12.50, 15.00, 18.00 and 20.00. Only twenty Suits in this lot, and everyone worth twice the price we ask.

$12.50 Gives you choice of our $25.00 and 27.50 Suits. These are the popular priced suits where price is as low as possible, quality considered. Only twenty of these suits to go at half price and less.

$15.00 Buys any of our handsome Suits that sold for $30.00 and 35.00. These are the newest and dressiest suits, ten of them to be sold for Half-Price and less; less even than we've paid.

CARRIED OVER SUITS

$2.00 $5.00 Two lots of Suits carried over from last season. Good materials, best and workmanship. Wonderful Bargains. Clearance Sale price $2.00 and 5.00.

$7.50 Buys any one of this lot. About 50 Suits that sold from $15 to $25. Many desirable Suits, perfect tailoring, best materials, unusual bargains.

Wonderful Dress Reductions

Special reductions on Cloth and Silk Dresses for Women, new, clean, stylish, desirable dresses, all go at 25 Per Cent Off.

Children's Wool Dresses, newest styles, extra quality, Clearance Sale Price 25 Per Cent Off.

Five special lots of Dresses that offer you great savings. They are listed below:

$1.95 Buys Dresses in Silks, Serges and Checks that formerly sold at $5.00 to $15.00

$2.95 Buys Dresses in Silks, Voiles and Serges that sold regular for $10.00 to $20.00

$3.95 Buys Dresses of Whipcords, Serges & Corduroys that formerly sold at $6.75 and up

$ .95 Buys one lot of Wedding Dresses slightly out of style, but they are cut with sufficient fullness that they can be made over easily. Wonderful values in these Silk Dresses.

$5.00 Gives you choice of one lot of Silk Wedding Dresses, worth several times the price, but Clearance sale must move them.

SPECIAL SALE SKIRTS

Serges, Mixture, Plaids, Etc., our newest styles, our best quality in Cloth Skirts. Your choice of the lot at 25 Per Cent Off

Coats, Furs

Cut away down in price---Coats are grouped into lots of unmatchable bargains.

$1.00 Buys any one of this lot of Children's Coats, ages 5 to 12 years.

$2.00 Wonderful values in children's coats Your choice for children, ages 3 to 14 years.

$3.75 Our best coats for children in this lot regardless of cost. Sizes 8 to 12 yrs.

$5.00 $7.50, 10.00, 12.50 and 15.00, Five lots of coats worth up to 25.00. Every one handsome Fall coats so grouped as to make great bargains for you.

All of Our Newest and Best Coats, Blacks and Colors, 1-4 Off

Two lots $12.50 to $25.00 Coats, Great Bargains at $5.00 and $7.50

FURS AT 25 PER CENT OFF

All of our handsome Furs, right on the heels of Christmas, right in the middle of winter, furs and fur sets worth from $6.00 to 75.00 cut to 25 per Cent Off.

HALF-PRICE MILLINERY---Any of our pretty trimmed hats, not a single one reserved. Everyone goes at Half Price.

At these awful Cuts, you get the Carpets, Profit and All--We get the empty Shelves

A tremendous cut of January Clearance prices makes it imperative that you buy your carpets and rugs now. You cannot afford to wait until spring in the face of these reductions. You can do your spring carpeting for almost half if you do it now. The best all wool fast color floor coverings.

Smith's Room Size Manor Rugs, best all wool top, fast colors, a great bargain at..... **$9.75**

Smith's Seamless Nepperhan Rugs, 9x12, pretty patterns, a rare bargain at clearance price..... **$11.95**

Smith's Seamless Phillipsburg Rugs, full 9x12, all wool, fast color. Five of these splendid rugs..... **$14.75**

A few Roxbury Ten Wire Best Tapestry Rugs, made to be sold at $20.00, sale price..... **$14.00**

8 Roxbury Velvet Rugs, a great $20.00 rug. Special at this sale..... **$14.00**

5 Palisade Velvet Rugs, Smith's Seamless fast color rugs. Special at this sale..... **$16.00**

4 Roxbury Axminster Rugs, size 9x12, the best Axminster we can get to sell for $25. Clearance sale price..... **$17.50**

All of our handsome 9x12 Body Brussels Rugs go on sale at 20 per cent off.

Smith's All Wool Tapestry Carpet, 80c grade goes on sale at 63c.

Smith's Tapestry Carpet, fast color, 90c grade at clearance sale price 67c.

Smith's Ten Wire Tapestry Carpet, some pretty patterns, at 79c.

Roxbury Tapesty Ten Wire Carpet, the best made. Special price 85c.

BERRYMAN'S CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE

BENTLEYVILLE

Back in Town.

Joseph George, a beer agent of this place has returned to resume business after being under arrest in connection with the Frank Forto shooting. George furnished an acceptable alibi.

Aid Meeting.

Monday evening the Ladies Aid society of the local Methodist church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. James B. Galloway, of Main street. Current topics were discussed. An excellent lunch was served by the hostess shortly prior to the departure of guests.

Personal Mention.

Leonard E. Sands has returned after a pleasant visit among friends in California.

Miss Alma Borum of Donora returned Monday to her home in Donora after spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Borum. Mr. Borum is the rural mail carier between Beallsville and Bentleyville.

Horach Yohe of Monongahela was attending to business matters in town Monday.

Kit Carson of Van Voorhis was a business caller in town Monday afternoon.

A Dewalt of Monongahela was a caller in town Monday.

Bentley Thomas and Miss Nicholos of Vanceville were recent social callers in town.

The Rev. J. H. West of Elizabeth, has returned home after spending sometime among the members of the local colored Baptist church. Rev. West has been secured as their provisional pastor until a new church is erected.

Dave George and Harry Thomas of Vancevile were recent callers with friends in town.

Percy Yohe of Monongahela spent Monday in a visit among Bentleyville friends.

Dr. Gambol of VanVoorhis attended to business affairs in Bentleyville Monday.

Miss Marion Brush of the Washington road is spending some time among friends in Pittsburg.

William Burns chief of police in Ellsworth, has returned after taking two prisoners to the Washington jail. The prisoners were charged with assault and battery.

VAUDEVILLE SHOW TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT

The first annual entertainment of the Charleroi Veteran Guard Drum corps will be held in the high school auditorium this evening. The entertainment will be a vaudeville performance in five acts. Local and out of town talent will take part in the production.

The first act "The Bachelor's Baby" is a one act comedy. The leading parts are taken by J. B. G. Roberts and Miss Mary E. Gass. This is followed by the Gass brothers assisted by Joseph Cottle in a gymnastic exhibition. They are said to be experts in their line.

"The Fifth Commandment," a one act dramatic play in which the leading parts are taken by Mr. and Mrs. James Russell assisted by William Williams and Charles McLaughlin is a feature of the program. The Harmony boys under the names of Chester and Joseph will sing a number of the latest songs. Chester is a member of the Pittsburg male chorus. He has sung in Pittsburg theatres and at the Pittsburg exposition. Joseph is a baritone singer.

The entertainment will close with a one act playlet entitled, "His Model Wife." This act is presented by ten persons in which the leading parts are taken by Miss Amelia Patrick of Monessen, J. Carl McGuire and Gilbert Riggle.

PERSONALS

George W. West spent Tuesday in Pittsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Flickinger were Pittsburg visitors Tuesday.

Misses Margaret Volker and Anna Anton of Monongahela were visitors with Miss Clara Guest Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hott spent Tuesday in Pitsburg.

Carl Rauschenberg assistant manager of the Coyle theatre was in Pittsburg Tuesday on business.

Miss Bertha Haines has returned from New York city.

LYCEUM FIVE DEFEATED BY THE GRIFFITH TEAM

Score in Hot Contest on Local Floor Is 19 to 18—Teams Tie Four Times In Second Half.

St. Jerome's Lyceum basketball five was defeated on its own floor Saturday evening by the A. T. Griffith team of Pittsburg in a fast and interesting game. The final score was 19 to 18. Four times during the second half the score was a tie: lineup:

Griffiths—19		St. Jeromes—18
Cooper	F	Oates
Cooper	F	Schieler
Andreagg	C	Lentz
Gress	G	Ludwig
Griffith	G	Messionnier

Field goals—Cooper 2, Callahan 3, Schieler 3, Oates 2, Lentz. Fouls—Andreagg 7 of 12, Schieler 6 of 10. Referee—McGuire. Scorer—Wagner.

Star Theatre.

"Zodora" every Thursday beginning December 21 at Star Theatre. The greatest of all stories. tf

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CHARLEROI TO PLAY SOUTHSIDE

Basketball Five to Meet in Battle Royal on Local Floor Tomorrow Evening—Preliminary Game Of Interest Scheduled.

The Southside team of the West Penn league, known as the Champions, will play the Charleroi five tomorrow night on the Charleroi floor, and one of the hottest kind of games is anticipated. The games will start at 8:30, but will be preceded by a preliminary contest between the Charleroi Juniors and the Southside Turners. For the league game Captain Stark proposes to have his strongest lineup and to give the Champs a run for their money.

If Nothing Else.

Somerset county enters the new year with confidence. Few of the counties of Pennsylvania have enjoyed a fuller measure of prosperity in the year just past, and as far as can be foreseen there is not a speck on the business horizon.—Somerset Herald.

A Good Opportunity.

Here is an opportunity for some person to have the use of a small pony from now until the first of June. All that is required is to take the pony and take good care of it until the above date. Send address to 451 Mail office. 145-tfp

Card of Thanks.

In this public way we wish to thank the many friends for their acts of neighborly kindness at the time of the death of our wife and mother, Mrs. Dora Mason.

Frank Mason and Family. tfp

Orders to Start Mills.

The Carnegie Steel plant will operate 60 per cent capacity this week. The advance order for steel is 8,000 tons for the week and more orders are expected before the end of the week. The plant has been operating only about 25 per cent for nearly a year.

Get one of the McDougal Kitchen cabinets at cash prices but on easy terms by joining the McDougal Club at Dixon's furniture store. Join now. Only a limited number to be sold in this way. 161-t1

Too Many Laws.

Perhaps the one statement standing out pre-eminently in the final message of Governor Tener is the blunt expression of his belief that there are too many laws—Greensburg Review.

CLASSIFIED!

WANTED—A good cook. Apply Central house, Bentleyville, Pa. 159t3p

WANTED—Would like to rent small farm near Charleroi of from 12 to 50 acres. Address 452 Mail office. 159-t3p

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Nice location. Inquire 455 Mail office. 159-t3

WANTED—Demonstrator, for outside work. Widow preferred. Proposition pays $20.00 per week, with contract for one year if satisfactory. Write J. B. Greer, General Delivery Charleroi, Pa. 160-t3p

LOST—Garnet brooch on McKean avenue between Fifth and Sixth street on Friday of last week. Return to 458 Mail office and receive reward 160-t2p

FOR RENT—Three rooms and use of bath, 733 McKean avenue. 160-t5p

SET THE BOY TO THINKING

Youngster Had Fears as to the Effects of His Constant Diet of "Dripping."

What is dripping?

Dripping, as everybody knows, is the staple food of the young British litterateur. George Gissing and his heroes all fed on bread and dripping till success smiled on them. George Moore was once a drippingite. The poet, Alfred Noyes, was said to resort to dripping when his poems had bad luck.

Yes, everybody knows that dripping is supposed to be the juices, the savory essences, that fall from roasting meats.

That is the supposition. But what really is dripping—the dripping that the poor of England buy by the pound and smear upon their bread in lieu of butter?

The question, perhaps, will never be answered, but a partial solution is given to it by the fact that a London poorhouse recently bought at $7 a ton 32 tons of dripping from—a soap works.

Alfred Noyes used to tell a dripping story.

"A little boy," he would begin, "complained bitterly about the bread and dripping that formed his daily breakfast.

"'It'll kill me,' he whined at last. 'I know it'll kill me.'

"'Kill you? What do you mean?'

"'Why, I've been feeling bad lately, and now I know it's all this dripping what's the cause of the trouble. I read it in a book.'

"'Some pure food rubbish, I dare say! And what, precisely, did you read in this vile book, silly?'

"'I read,' whined the urchin, 'that constant dripping wears away a stone.'"

CAT AN EXPERT "FISHERMAN"

Has Learned Meaning of Line in Water, and Has the Patience of the Perfect Angler.

Cats are known to be fond of fish, but it is not every cat that is willing to go out and catch enough fresh fish to furnish his own meal and supply the family breakfast table with the same food. Such an animal exists in Miami, Fla., however, and daily watches a hand line which his owner places in the water. When the cork bobbles the cat dashes to the office of an amusement company and sets up a loud mewing. Following the cat's footsteps to the place where the line has been dropped, whoever is on duty at the office hauls in the fish to the tuneful purring of the proud and satisfied cat. Some months ago the cat chanced to be on the dock when a fish was pulled in. He learned that his favorite food came from the water and was caught on the end of a line. Since that any line with one end in the water and one on the dock has been a source of unfailing interest to the cat. The cat's patience would put the renowned Izaak Walton to shame, for he will spend hours sitting by a line without stirring. Sometimes the cat will sit by the side of a fisherman and will tell his human companion by his mewing when a fish is beginning to nibble at the bait before the fisherman has suspected that the bait is being dallied with.

King's Grapevine.

The great vine at Hampton court palace is a slip off one at Valentines, near Wanstead, which was planted in 1758. Owing to its roots having penetrated the bed of the river, which is only 60 feet from the end of the vinehouse, the Hampton court vine grew with extraordinary rapidity. In 1860—20 years after it was planted—its main branch was 114 feet long.

Now its branches cover a space of 2,300 square feet, but the principal branch only stretches 90 feet—the length of the vinehouse. Had the house been enlarged the vine would probably cover four times as much space. As it is, the vines at Cumberland lodge, Manresa house, Roehampton and Sillwood park, Sunninghill, surpass it; while the one at Kinnel house, Breadalbane—the largest in Great Britain—covers nearly twice as great a superficial area.

Said by Cynicus.

Sillicus—"What is the age of discretion?" Cynicus—"There isn't any. I know a man over seventy who married his fourth wife the other day."—Philadelphia Record.

Erratic Traveler.

Opportunity is the slowest thing in the world when it is approaching you; but when it is going in the other direction it travels faster than light.

That Boy Again.

The Boy (company present)—"Mother, will the dessert hurt me tonight, or is there enough to go round?"—London Opinion.

Too Great Belief in Luck.

Many a fellow is such a firm believer in luck that he would rather look for a four-leaved clover than hustle for a job.

Electric Clocks in Hotel.

Two hundred electric clocks, controlled by a master timepiece, help furnish as many rooms in a new Liverpool hotel.

As to Success.

Griggs—I should say that the keys to success are luck and pluck. Briggs—Yes! Luck in finding some one to

SYSTEMATIC SAVING

Few people save much unless they have a definite plan. Spasmodic saving seldom results in large accumulations.

Some people save all their coins of a certain date: others save by cutting off certain luxuries: others by a system of fines for breaking certain rules: but there is still a better plan. Set aside a definite sum as a debt to your future and deposit it each week in the

New Holiday Saving Fund

just started at this Bank, and build upon it persistently, so that your Holiday Season next year may be a merry one. You may join now.

The First National Bank

CHARLEROI, PENNSYLVANIA.

Lime Starvation Causes Tuberculosis

The Medical Record (New York) of December 18, 1909, contains an article on "The Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Based on the Assumption That the Dietetic Cause of the Disease is Lime Starvation," by Dr. John F. Russell, who says: "The condition which is recognized as preceding the active development of tuberculosis in the adult may be considered as due to lime starvation. * * * Among inorganic substances lime salts appear to be of special physiological importance * * * but if the salts are not in organic combination it is difficult to suppose that the cells can appropriate them for food."

Years of widespread use confirm us in the belief that the success of Eckman's Alterative in cases of pulmonary tuberculosis (consumption) and chronic throat and bronchial troubles is due in large measure to its content of lime, so combined with other ingredients as to be easily appropriated by the cells.

Doubtless this has had much to do with the results obtained in many cases of these affections, which appear to have yielded to Eckman's Alterative.

As it contains no opiates, narcotics or habit-forming drugs, it is safe to try. Your druggist will order it for you or you can send direct.

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NORTH CHARLEROI

Miss Ruth Sutherland spent Sunday in Washington.

Mrs. George Dennis and daughter Mrs. Clyde Bradley were callers in Monongahela Sunday.

Miss Grace Plummer and T. D. Zell of Monessen were Sunday guests of Mrs. O. G. Waltz.

John Myers was in Webster.

Miss Lillian Dunham was in Monessen.

William Craft was a recent visitor at Millsboro.

one of the Pittsburg hospitals has returned to her home at Philadelphia after visiting her brothers Davis and S. L. Woodward.

Thomas Rossbottom visited relatives at Pricedale Sunday.

Mrs. George Dennis was a visitor in West Brownsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Crable and daughter Evelyn were guests of the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris of Carroll township Sunday.

George Kenyon who has been at one of the Pittsburg hospitals has returned home and is getting along as nicely as could be expected.

Howard Clark and Frank Crow of Monessen were Sunday callers here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilson of McKeesport were guests of the former's sister, Mrs. A. F. McGowan Sunday.

Misses Deloras Swiles and Celia Crow of Monessen and Elsie Claybaugh of Fayette City were Sunday callers here.

Miss Lucy Cuthbert of Webster was a caller here Monday.

Mrs. John Pinyerd is visiting friends in Pittsburg.

Mrs. H. A. Watkins of Brownsville visited her sister Mrs. John Cope Monday.

Edward Newell was a Sunday caller in Belle Vernon.

Mrs. George Gillis and Mrs. J. C. Brown were in Pittsburg Monday.

Joseph Newell was a caller in Fayette City.

Mrs. William Zollers of West Newton was the guest of Mrs. J. H. Zollers Sunday.

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should be your relief from indigestion, biliousness, or constipation. Known to be reliable and famous for their prompt and certain efficacy—are

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Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c.

Cider for Sufferers From Gout.

The unfortunate individual, loving the good things of the table, yet afflicted with the gout, may now take heart of grace, for there is one refreshing beverage which will not be denied him. Cider, it has been discovered, is excellent for gout, and is a splendid tonic for everybody, because of the amount of tannin it contains.

Here is a recipe, handed down in a New England family, for old fashioned mulled cider:

Beat two eggs with two tablespoonfuls of sugar, and pour over the mixture a quart of freshly boiled cider, stirring constantly. Put the mixture on the stove and boil it again. Add some mint leaves, some thin slices of lemon and serve immediately in tall glasses thick enough to stand the steaming beverage without cracking.

Cider jelly is a delicious dessert for autumn days.

Dissolve two ounces of gelatine in a little water, and when thoroughly dissolved add two and a half pints of cider and a pound of granulated sugar. Boil until it begins to thicken, then strain through cloth and pour into a jelly mold. Serve with whipped cream.

Custom of "Suttee" Survives.

An Indian "suttee" victim case, exemplifying the slowness of Indian customs in doing has been decided in the Allahabad high court. The widow of a Brahmin committed "suttee" on her husband's death, i. e., was burnt alive on the funeral pyre in the presence of the whole village. Five of the relatives were arrested for abetting her suicide, and were sentenced to imprisonment. They appealed to the high court, the defense being that the fire was lighted by supernatural means, the flames descending from heaven. The high court has now rejected the appeal, and has increased the sentences in two of the cases. The present case is only the fourth recorded in the United Provinces and Bengal since 1829, when "suttee" was prohibited.

Real Surprise Ahead.

"What are you doing, Polly?" asked her mother. "I'm knitting, Mumie dear," replied the young woman. "I heard George say the other day he was afraid he'd have to buy a new muffler for his car, and I thought I'd knit him one as a sort of surprise."—Harper's Weekly.

Exempted from Taxation.

For reasons of public policy the law exempts from taxation churches and church property, cemeteries, school and college property, buildings used for educational, literary, scientific or charitable purposes and property owned by a city, county, state or the United States.

In the Telephone Book.

Dear Old Lady (using call-office telephone for the first time, to operator at the exchange)—"And as you've been so nice and attentive, my dear, I'm putting an extra penny in the box for yourself."—Punch.

GREATEST OF ALL DISASTERS

Flood of the Hoang-Ho in China in 1887 Takes First Place Among Catastrophes.

"Talking of floods, what was the greatest disaster nature ever hit the world with? I don't mean the deluge or anything so far off as that, and I don't mean wars, either. They're our own work. But what was the biggest loss of life that ever happened because of a flood or a fire or an earthquake, or anything of that sort, as far back as the ordinary records go?"

"I suppose you don't include plagues, such as the 'black death' that ravaged Europe for a century or so, almost continuously, back in the Middle Ages?"

"No; that lasted too long. I mean one of the sudden smashes that have hit the world and knocked out cities or sunk ships; anything of that kind."

"Well," said the man appealed to as a handy reference book, "if you limit it that way I think the flood of the Hoang-ho, or Yellow River, in China, in 1887, takes first place. It began late in September and before the water went down about 50,000 square miles of one of the most fertile and populous plains in the world had been swept by the swift current. That means twenty-five per cent more land than there is in Ohio.

"More than a thousand villages and towns were simply washed off the map, and the loss of life has never been calculated at less than a million. Some authorities say that fully 1,100,000 persons perished. It was like wiping out as many people as there are in Cleveland and Cincinnati together."

"I should say that might be the record disaster of all the ages!" exclaimed the friend who started the talk about losses through the violence of nature. "It must be away ahead of anything an earthquake ever did, or a storm at sea."

"Yes, probably by four to one, at least. But some of the worst earthquakes and volcanic eruptions have done a lot of killing where there was no way to get authentic figures. It is possible that more than a quarter of a million people have lost their lives in some earthquake or eruption, or both together, but the odds are against it."

"What a paralyzing thing such a flood as the one in China would be if it happened in this country or Europe!"

"Indeed, it would," was the reply, "but half the people in China probably never even heard the news."

Rather an Abuse.

Claude Grahame-White, the English aviator, is a tory, and, like all tories, he hates the Democratic legislation of the chancellor of the exchequer, David Lloyd-George.

Mr. Grahame-White, in a recent letter to an American friend—married to an American wife, he has many American friends—said bitterly:

"The Lloyd-George policies are all open to abuse. Take his latest policy, the maternity benefit, 30 shillings a week to every insured woman who has a child born to her.

"A mechanician of mine was in a pub, getting a glass of sour ale the other day, when a woman entered.

"'Say, old dear,' she began, 'could you let me have half a dozen o' gin on tick? Tom and me are havin' a party tonight.'

"'You're a customer of mine,' said the landlord doubtfully, 'but if I let you have this gin, when'll I get my money?'

"The woman smiled an embarrassed smile. Then she said:

"'Old Lloyd-George'll owe me thirty bob next month. I'll pay you then, old dear!'"

He Should Worry.

Three students of philosophy sat on top of a high hill. One was a Pessimist, one an Optimist and the third had not declared himself.

While the first two were warmly discussing their opposing theories of life, a sudden gust of wind simultaneously lifted off three hats and sent them bowling down the hill. The Pessimist and the Optimist gave chase, but their companion remained calmly sitting on top of the hill and watched the others running after the hats. Presently each procured his own hat and the Optimist picked up also that of the third man. Then they panted back up the hill.

"Whew!" gasped the Optimist, as he handed over the hat to him who still sat on top of the hill. "I guess you're an Optimist, too. You didn't seem to worry any."

"Why should I?" was the dispassionate reply. "I knew that 'mine own shall return to me.' You see, I'm a Fatalist."—Frederick Moxon, in Lippincott's.

Really Neat Retort.

While telling stories in the firelight on a recent afternoon the question arose: "What is the neatest and cleverest retort on record?" The claimants were many, but the following, which may not be familiar to some of our readers, was adjudged winner:

One day Dougles Jerrold and a friend, who were neither quite so sober as they might have been, quarreled, as men will under such circumstances. Next morning Jerrold, who had forgotten the incident, met the friend on the street, and raised his hat in greeting, as was then the manner. To his surprise he was "cut dead." He pulled up in surprise. "My dear B——, what is wrong?" "Oh," said B——, in whom the memory of the quarrel still rankled, "I never raise my hat to a cad, Jerrold." "Don't you?" replied Jerrold, raising his hat again as he passed on. "I always do."

ALMOST PERFECT IN SYSTEM

Modern Hotel a Wonderful Improvement Over Its Predecessor of Only a Few Years Ago.

"It's a wonderful thing to go into a modern hotel and [illegible] the difference between the system of today and 10 years ago. Why, even the conveniences that are offered guests at small and the cheap hotels there is the man who finds them.

"Today guests have telephones in their rooms, whereas not so long ago they had anything from a bell to a row of brass knobs on the wall with a cord.

"At the old Gobey House in Pittsburgh you'd ring for the chambermaid or the valet for [illegible] labor with a telephone. It was a sort of speech button affair which was supposed to signal for anything from a San Francisco newspaper to a bag of peanuts. You'd push the button and many times and different lights would bob up on the board in the office after the clerk had released the indicator.

"One day I pulled out the indicator on a certain room and the lights flared up. The signal showed a very difficult drink and I hastened to notify the cafe.

"A boy took the drink up and could find no one. After a little investigation we found the room had not been occupied for two weeks and that the signal had been given when a maid had pushed the bed against the room button.

"Another device was the old cord in the room at the Grand hotel. A certain number of pulls would release brass checks on which was scheduled the desire of the guest. Whenever a pull came on this indicator it sounded as though some one had dropped a couple of hundred brass checks on a marble floor.

"This affair was a nuisance, for we got to sending ice water to a room every time it worked. Many times a guest would receive three or four pitchers of water.

"Then some one came along and put in the telephone for hotels. The modern day hotel is a wonderful institution compared with that of but a few years ago."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

HIS PLACE IN PROFESSION

Traveler Not a Physician, Yet He Undoubtedly Had a Certain Connection With the Business.

They were speaking of how easy it is to stack up against a misunderstanding, at a recent dinner in the east, when former Governor Alva Adams of Colorado told of the bad guess made by a messenger on a through express.

In order to break the monotony of the long ride, the senator said, a pair of fellow passengers got into conversation, and nearly every topic on the list was discussed, from politics to the price of eggs.

"What do you think of this microbe business, doctor?" asked one of the men during the conversation. "Do you really think they are as serious a menace as we are led to believe?"

"Pardon me," interposed the other. "You have evidently made a mistake in my calling. I am not a physician."

"Please excuse me," quickly returned the first. "I must have misunderstood you. Didn't you say that you followed the medical profession?"

"Yes," was the smiling response of the second, "but I am an undertaker."

Kept Out of Politics.

In Austria women are forbidden by law to take an active part in politics or to join any political association. Last spring the chamber of deputies decided to cancel the prohibiting clause, and the political committee of the upper house has now indorsed this vote of the deputies, with the explanation that "the part taken by women in associations with political tendencies is well known, and, under the circumstances, can scarcely be prevented." This bill has been sent back to the deputies for further consideration. The women of Austria have been leading an agitation against the rise of prices which they, as housekeepers, feel most acutely. They have been successful in cheapening coal in Vienna and milk in Brunn. The leaders of the movement have been elected to municipal committees, and for the first time a woman has been put on a committee of a town council, viz., that of Housing.

The Easier Way.

Speaking of the splendid work done by the Carnegie Foundation, which recently held its annual meeting in New York, Jacob Gould Schurman, president of Cornell university, said:

"The generosity, the intelligent and unselfish devotion, which Mr. Carnegie has shown in this philanthropy, have won for him the esteem of the whole nation.

"The esteem of one's fellow men—not an easy thing to win; but as Mr. Carnegie has proven, not so difficult either, as the sage considered it to be.

"A youth, you know," continued President Schurman, "sought a sage and inquired of him:

"What shall I do, oh, sage, to win my fellow men speak well of me?

"The sage's reply was:

"Die."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Novelist a Dandy.

A. E. W. Mason, the English novelist, is said to be the best dressed literary man in London. He is a spare, striking looking man, with something of the appearance of a Georgian dandy. He published his first novel in 1895. He is an Alpine climber, and once was Liberal member for Coventry. But the house of commons bored him to death.

OLD ERRORS THAT PERSIST

Have Been Handed Down for Generations, and Are Hard to Eradicate from Youthful Minds.

One is surprised to find that in the mental storehouses of many pupils the hidden quaint and curious ideas disregard historical truths, popular fallacies and false beliefs which modern historical criticism has long since banished to the realms of the historical novelist, the newspaper writer, and the maker of almanacs.

To suggest a few of these old friends: The Church of England was founded by Henry VIII because the pope would not allow him to marry Anne Boleyn, many one constantly. Another interesting item is that the puritans were so much purer and better than the members of the Church of England that they were persecuted for religion.

Only the children of the rich planters were ever educated in Virginia or in the other southern colonies, and these children were sent to England or had tutors at home, for there were no schools of any kind in the south, is a statement sincerely believed, historians to the contrary notwithstanding.

The king of England caused the revolution because he taxed the Americans so heavily. The king, in the student's mind, laid the tax and acted in a most outrageous fashion in general. Such a body as the English parliament or the English theory of representation appear to have made no mental impression upon him.

A royal colony was always tyrannically governed, and was much worse than a charter or proprietary government, the word "royal" evidently striking the democratic mind as fundamentally wrong.

Poetic justice is also ever present as to the ultimate end of certain notable personages. Benedict Arnold and Aaron Burr always spend their last days in deepest poverty and remorse, while Columbus still persists in dying in prison and in chains. Jefferson is a peculiarly fortunate character, for the average pupil insists that he originated democracy and solemnly states that we owe our government by the people to the Sage of Monticello. He also wrote the constitution. This rather irritating falsehood is strangely common.—History Teachers' Magazine.

Centenaries of Gas.

In 1792 a manufacturer in Redruth, in Cornwall, named Murdock made gas to light his home and factory. Pall Mall in London, 1807, was the first street to be lighted by gas; Philadelphia introduced it in 1815; Boston in 1822, and New York in 1825. Gas is obtained from coal, which is heated in large retorts; the heavy gas drawn off passes by a pipe, called the hydraulic main, through a number of curved pipes called condensers, in which process coal tar and ammoniacal liquor condense and fall into a well. The gas passes to purifiers over slaked lime, which takes up sulphureted hydrogen and carbonic acid; it is then headed downward to the gasholder, a large tank having its base resting on water, and from which the gas is distributed to the consumers. Certain byproducts are obtained in the course of manufacture which are more valuable than the gas itself; these include coke, ammonia, anilin, phenol, or carbolic acid, naphthalene dyes, various artificial drugs and basic perfumes.—The Christian Herald.

World Coal Supplies.

The British Board of Trade has just published a report in which it states that the total known coal production of the world, in 1911 (exclusive of brown coal or lignite) was about 1,050,000,000 tons, of which the United Kingdom produced more than one-fourth and the United States more than two-fifths. As compared with population the production in the United Kingdom was six tons per head, and in the United States a little less than five tons.

The output in the five principal coal-producing countries during 1911 was as follows: United Kingdom, 271,899,000 tons; Germany, 158,164,000; France, 38,023,000; Belgium, 22,683,000; with the United States at the head with 443,025,000.

The average value per ton of the coal taken at the collieries was: United Kingdom, $1.982; Germany, $2.375; Belgium, $2.92; United States, $1.432.

Mail Carriers' New Job.

As the cost of numbering the population of the United States, and the collection of other statistics, cost the thirteenth census over $2.50 per inhabitant, Director Durand, in his annual report suggests that mail carriers be used for future census work.

He calls attention to the fact that much of the work was unsatisfactory, and also to the difficulty in inducing competent men to take up the work for the brief time in which they are engaged as numerators.

This branch, the field work, cost the government $7,223,855, or about $1.25 per inhabitant, and Mr. Durand believes that it can be done cheaper and better by the carriers, with their somewhat similar training. The postmaster general is said to favor the plan.

Improvements.

Bacon—I see poultry dealers in New York have installed electric fans to cool live chickens to prevent deaths from heat.

Egbert—I wish they would install some kind of an apparatus to warm up the chickens in cold storage, so they wouldn't appear to be so long dead."